

## Chapter 16 – Covalent Bonding

Chapter 16: 1 – 26; 28, 30, 31, 35-37, 40, 43-46, *Extra Credit*: 50-53, 55, 56, 58, 59, 62-67

### Section 16.1 – The Nature of Covalent Bonding

#### Practice Problems

1. Draw electron dot structures for each molecule.

a. chlorine	b. bromine	c. iodine

What do you observe about the three structures?

2. The following molecules have single covalent bonds. Draw an electron dot structure for each.

a. H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	b. PCl <sub>3</sub>

3. Draw the electron dot structure of the hydroxide ion (OH<sup>-</sup>).

4. Draw the electron dot structure of the polyatomic boron tetrafluoride anion (BF<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup>).

5. Draw the electron dot structures for sulfate (SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>) and carbonate (CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>). Sulfur and carbon are the central atoms, respectively.

sulfate	carbonate

6. Draw the electron dot structure for the hydrogen carbonate ion (HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>). Carbon is the central atom, and hydrogen is attached to oxygen in this polyatomic anion.

### Section Review 16.1

7. How are single, double, and triple bonds indicated in electron dot structures?
8. Provide an example of each of the following – you do not have to draw the structure:
- a. coordinate covalent bonding
  
  - b. resonance structures
  
  - c. exceptions to the octet rule
9. What kinds of information does a structural formula reveal about the compound it represents?
10. Draw electron dot structures for the following molecules, which have only single covalent bonds.

a. H <sub>2</sub> S	b. PH <sub>3</sub>	c. ClF

11. Draw the resonance structures for sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>). Sulfur is the central atom.
12. How many kilojoules are required to dissociate all the C-H single bonds in 0.1 mol of methane (CH<sub>4</sub>)? Assume that the bond dissociation energy is the same for each bond. Refer to Table 16.3.

## Section 16.2 – Bonding Theories

### Section Review 16.2

13. Use the molecular orbital theory to describe covalent bonding. What occurs during hybridization?

14. Explain how the VSEPR theory can be used to predict bond angles in the following covalently bonded molecules.

a. methane

b. ammonia

c. water

15. What shape would you expect a simple carbon-containing compound to have if the carbon atom has the following hybridizations.

a.  $sp^2$

b.  $sp^3$

c.  $sp$

16. What is a sigma bond? Describe, with the aid of a diagram, how the overlap of two half-filled 1s orbitals produces a sigma bond.

17. How many sigma and how many pi bonds are in an ethyne molecule ( $C_2H_2$ )? Draw the Lewis structure.

18. The  $BF_3$  molecule is planar. The attachment of a fluoride ion to the boron in  $BF_3$ , through a coordinate covalent bond, creates the  $BF_4^-$  ion. What is the geometric shape of this ion? Draw the Lewis structure.

## Section 16.3 – Polar Bonds and Molecules

### Practice Problems

19. Identify the bonds between atoms of each pair of elements as (1) nonpolar covalent, (2) moderately polar covalent, (3) very polar covalent, or (4) ionic. Refer to Table 16.4.

a. H and Br

d. Cl and F

b. K and Cl

e. Li and O

c. C and O

f. Br and Br

20. Order the following covalent bonds from least to most polar:

a. H-Cl

b. H-Br

c. H-S

d. H-C

f. F-F

### Section Review 16.3

21. Explain how you can use electronegativity values to classify a bond as nonpolar covalent, polar covalent, or ionic.

22. Describe the three kinds of attractive forces that hold groups of molecular together. Rank these forces from weakest to strongest.

a.

b.

c.

23. Not every molecule with polar bonds is polar. Explain this statement, using  $\text{CCl}_4$  as an example.

24. Draw the electron dot structure for each molecule below. Identify polar covalent bonds by assigning slightly positive ( $\delta +$ ) and slightly negative ( $\delta -$ ) symbols to the appropriate atoms.

a. $\text{HOOH}$	b. $\text{BrCl}$	c. $\text{HBr}$	d. $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

25. How does a network solid differ from most other covalent compounds?

26. Which of the following are characteristic of most covalent compounds?

a. high melting points

b. shared bonding electrons

c. low water solubility

d. existence as molecules

e. composed of a metal and a nonmetal

## Chapter 16 Review

### Concept Practice

28. Classify the following compounds as ionic or covalent. 16.1

a.  $\text{MgCl}_2$

b.  $\text{Na}_2\text{S}$

c.  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$

d.  $\text{H}_2\text{S}$

30. How many electrons do atoms in a double covalent bond share? How many in a triple bond?  
16.1

31. Based upon the examples provided in Section 16.1, state a general rule for determining which atom is the central one in a binary molecule compound. 16.1

35. Explain why compounds containing C-N and C-O single bonds can form coordinate covalent bonds with  $H^+$  but compounds containing only C-H and C-C bonds cannot. 16.1

36. What is true for the electron dot structures of all compounds that exhibit resonance? 16.1

37. Draw resonance structures for the carbonate ion ( $CO_3^{2-}$ ). Each oxygen is attached to the carbon. 16.1

39. How can you experimentally determine whether a substance is paramagnetic? 16.1

40. Predict whether the following species are diamagnetic or paramagnetic. 16.1

a.  $BF_3$

b.  $O_2^-$

c.  $NO_2$

d.  $F_2$

43. What is the relationship between the magnitude of a molecule's bond dissociation energy and its expected chemical reactivity? 16.1

44. Explain what is meant by *bond dissociation energy*.

45. Assume the total bond energy in a molecule is the sum of the individual bond energies. Calculate the total bond energy in a mole of ethyne ( $C_2H_2$ ). *Hint:* Write the electron dot structure to determine the kinds of bonds. Then refer to Table 16.3.

46. Draw the molecular orbital diagrams for the possible diatomic molecule  $Li_2$ . Would you expect  $Li_2$  to exist as a stable molecule? 16.2

Energy ↑

**Extra Credit.** Answer the following questions below, points awarded extra credit are indicated and will be applied towards your homework grade. These questions are recommended for students planning on taking organic chemistry anytime in the future.

50. What types of hybrid orbitals are involved in the bonding of the carbon atoms in the following molecules? Draw their Lewis structures. 16.2 (8 possible points)



51. What must always be true if a covalent bond is to be polar? 16.3 (1 point)

52. The bonds between the following pairs of elements are covalent. Arrange them according to polarity, naming the most polar bond first. 16.3 (2 points)



53. Arrange the following bonds in order of increasing ionic character. 16.3 (2 points)



55. Depict (with a drawing) the hydrogen bonding between two ammonia molecules; then depict the bonding between one ammonia and one water molecule. 16.3 (2 points)

Between two ammonia	Between one ammonia and one water

56. Circle the compound in each pair that exhibits the stronger intermolecular hydrogen bonding. Explain your rationale behind your answer. 16.3 (4 points)

a. H<sub>2</sub>S, H<sub>2</sub>O

b. HCl, HF

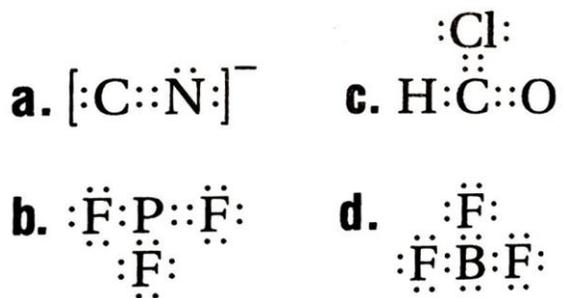
c. HBr, HCl

d. NH<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O

58. Explain why compounds with strong intermolecular attractive forces have higher boiling points than compounds with weak intermolecular attractive forces. 16.3 (2 points)

59. Using Figures 16.17 through 16.19 as an example, devise a hybridization scheme for PCl<sub>3</sub> and predict the molecular shape based on this scheme. (3 points)

62. Explain why each Lewis structure below is incorrect. Replace each structure with one that is more acceptable. (8 points)



63. Use VSEPR theory to predict the geometry of each of the following: (4 points)

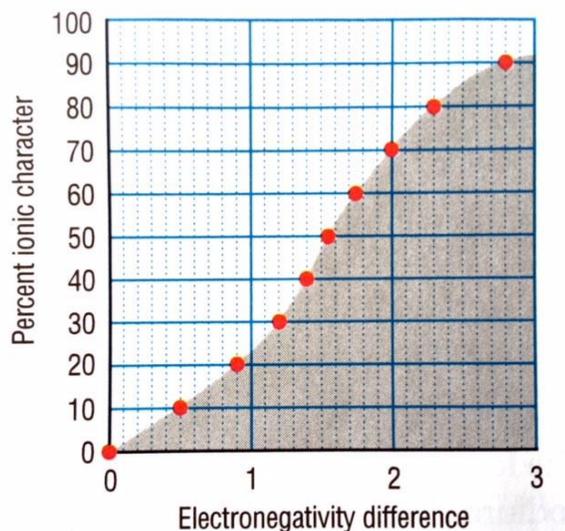
a. SiCl<sub>4</sub>

b. CO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>

c. CCl<sub>4</sub>

d. SCl<sub>2</sub>

64. The following graph shows how the percent ionic character of a single bond varies according to the difference in electronegativity between the two elements forming the bond. Answer the following questions, using this graph, and Table 14.2. (6 points)



a. What is the relationship between the percent ionic character of single bonds and the electronegativity difference of their elements?

b. What electronegativity difference will result in a bond with a 50% ionic character?

c. Estimate the percent ionic character of the bonds formed between:

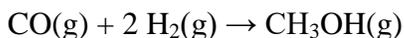
(1) lithium and oxygen

(2) nitrogen and oxygen

(3) magnesium and chlorine

(4) nitrogen and fluorine

65. Using bond dissociation energies, estimate  $\Delta H$  for the following reaction. (2 points)



66. Give the angles between the orbitals of each hybrid. (3 points)

a.  $\text{sp}^3$  hybrids

b.  $\text{sp}^2$  hybrids

c.  $\text{sp}$  hybrids

67. Describe the difference between a bonding molecular orbital and an antibonding molecular orbital. How do the energies of these orbitals compare? (3 points)